Animals of the Rainforest

Spider Monkey  
These monkeys have adapted to living in emergence layer of the rainforest. They have long, lanky arms and prehensile tails that enable them to move from branch to branch and tree to tree. Though they have no thumbs, they are able to maintain a strong grip on branches. They spend most of their time high above ground.

Toucan  
Toucans use their bills as a feeding tool; they are used to reach fruit on branches that are too small to support the bird’s weight. Toucans are brightly coloured, enabling them to blend in with their surroundings in dappled light of the rainforest canopy.

Sun Bear

Sun Bears have sleek, black coat (short fur) to avoid overheating in the tropical climate. Fur is thick and coarse to provide protection from twigs, branches and rain.

Orang-Utan  
Orangutans spend 90% of their time in trees. They sleep in nests of leafy branches in trees, they use large leaves as umbrellas to protect themselves from rain. Orangutans do not have sharp claws, instead they have flattened nails, this has led to the development of highly sensitive tactile pads. They also have separate control of all their fingers.